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SUBJECT STATUS OF COUP D'ETAT PLANS OF TRAN KIM TUYEN'S GROUP

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SOURCE A HIGH-LEVEL VIETNAMESE OFFICIAL (C) WITH EXTENSIVE CONTACTS AMONG GOVERNMENT LEADERS.

1. ON 15 JULY 1963 AN INDIVIDUAL ASSOCIATED WITH THE COUP D'ETAT GROUP HEADED BY DR. TRAN KIM TUYEN, CURRENTLY AN ADVISOR AT THE PRESIDENCY, SAID THAT THEIR NATIONALIST, ANTI-COMMUNIST COUP WOULD OCCUR "SOON." HOWEVER, AS THE VIET CONG WERE REPORTEDLY PLANNING TO INTENSIFY THEIR ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK PRIOR TO THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE GENEVA ACCORDS, 20 JULY, THE COUP WOULD NOT BE STAGED UNTIL AFTER THAT DATE. THE COUP WOULD BE DIRECTED AGAINST PRESIDENT DIEM AS WELL AS THE NGO DINH NHUS AND THE GROUP PLANNED TO ESTABLISH A CONSTITUTIONAL

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2. FIELD DISSEM. STATE (AMBASSADOR) USMACV (GENERAL HARKINS) CINCPAC PACFLT ARPAC PACAF.

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